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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

# North American Plant Breeders

Whereas, there has been presented to the

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED NOVEL VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, therefore, this certificate of plant variety protection is to grant unto the said applicant(s) and the successors, heirs or assigns of the said applicant(s) for the term of eighteen years from the date of this grant, subject to the payment of the required fees and periodic replenishment of viable basic seed of the variety in a public repository as provided by LAW, the right to extend others from selling the variety, or offering it for sale, or reproducing it, porting it, or exporting it, or using it in producing a hybrid or different therefrom, to the extent provided by the Plant Variety Protection Act 1542, as amended, 7 u.s.c. 2321 et seq.)

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'Answer'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington this 18th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-two.

Attest:

Stand L. L.

Commissioner

Plant Variety Protection Office

Grain Division

Agricultural Marketing Service

John R Block
Secretary of Agriculture

1a. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OF	1b. VARIETY NAME		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY				
NAPB 63	Answer		PV NUMBER 8	000037			
2. KIND NAME	3. GENUS AND SPEC	IES NAME	FILING DATE	TIME A.M.			
Alfalfa	Medicago Sa	tiva	12-27-79 FEE RECEIVED	3:30 P.M. DATE			
4. FAMILY NAME (BOTANICAL)	5. DATE OF DETER	MINATION	s <u>500.00</u>	12-27-79			
Leguminacea	December 19	75	\$ 250.00	12/8/81			
6. NAME OF APPLICANT(S)		and No. or R.F.D. No.,	City, State, and ZIP	8. TELEPHONE AREA			
North American Plant Breeders	P. 0. 1	ohnson Drive Box 2955		913-384-4940			
		n, Kansas 662					
9. IF THE NAMED APPLICANT IS NOT A ORGANIZATION: (Corporation, partner	PERSON, FORM OF ship, association, etc.)	10. IF INCORPORAT	ED, GIVE STATE AND	11. DATE OF INCOR-			
Corporation		Connecticu	t	March 9, 1973			
12. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF AF	PLICANT REPRESENTA ixon, Research I	TIVE(S), IF ANY, TO: }irector	SERVE IN THIS APPLIC	CATION AND RECEIVE			
	Plant Breeders	, ,	DR. J. B. Mour	DUS:			
	, Mission, Kansa	as 66205		**L3			
13. CHECK BOX BELOW FOR EACH ATTA	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
X 13A. Exhibit A, Origin and B		Variety (See Section .	52 of the Plant Variet	y Protection Act.)			
13B. Exhibit B, Novelty State	ement.						
13C. Exhibit C, Objective Des	cription of the Variety	(Request form from	Plant Variety Protect	tion Office.)			
13D. Exhibit D, Additional D	escription of the Variet	у.		•			
14a, DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY TH SEED? (See Section 83(a). (If "Yes," and			RIETY NAME ONLY AS	S A CLASS OF CERTIFIE			
14b. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) SPECIFY TH		14c. IF "YES," TO 14	B, HOW MANY GENER	ATIONS OF PRODUC-			
LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERA	TIONS	NO TENDER OF THE	BREEDER SEED? 2 GISTERED Class FREGISTERED	X CERTIFIED			
15a. DID THE APPLICANT(S) FILE FOR PROname of countries and dates.)	OTECTION OF THIS VAF	HETY IN OTHER COU	INTRIES? TYES	X NO (If "Yes," give			
15b. HAVE RIGHTS BEEN GRANTED THIS and dates.)	VARIETY IN OTHER CO	UNTRIES? YES	X NO (If "Yes,"	give name of countries			
		e e					
16. DOES THE APPLICANT(S) AGREE TO YOURNAL?	THE PUBLICATION OF H	IS/HER (THEIR) NAM	IE(S) AND ADDRESS IN	THE OFFICIAL			
17. The applicant(s) declare(s) that a via	ble sample of basic seed			application and will be			
replenished upon request in accorda	<del>-</del>			4.			
The undersigned applicant(s) is (are) variety is distinct, uniform, and stab 42 of the Plant Variety Act.							
Applicant(s) is (are) informed that f	alse representation here	in can jeopardize pro	tection and result in	penalties.			
12-19-79		( ) ( V					
(DATE)		7/11	SIGNATURE OF APPL	ICANT)			

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

#### EXHIBIT A

Origin and Breeding History of the Variety
'Answer'

'Answer' is a 57 clone synthetic variety with parantage tracing to Anchor (30 clones), Apollo (15 clones) and an NAPB Hardy germplasm pool (12 clones). 'Answer' was derived by submitting the above named varieties and germplasm to additional field screening (Ames, Iowa) for resistance to Phytophthora root rot. An average of five cycles of phenotypic recurrent selection for Phytophthora resistance were employed in the developement of 'Answer'.

Breeder seed was formed by interpollinating approximately 20,000 cuttings dervied from the 57 parent clones in isolation near Nampa, Idaho.

During seed multiplication no variants beyond the limits defined under Exhibit C have been found and multiplication procedure will ensure that seed being sold as 'Answer' will not be shifted in characteristics beyond presently acceptable limits for alfalfa varieties.

It is also confirmed that 'Answer' meets presently acceptable levels of uniformity for alfalfa varieties.

EXHIBIT B

Novelty Statement

'Answer'

'Answer' most closely resembles the variety 'Apollo' considering all characteristics. 'Answer' differs from 'Apollo' by having a higher level of Phytophthora resistance (Barnes letter) and less resistance to the spotted alfalfa aphid biotype H (Table 1).

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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
1509 GORTNER AVENUE
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August 10, 1979

Dr. Jim B. Moutray Director of Forage Research North American Plant Breeders R.R. #3 Ames, IA 50010

#### Dear Jim:

Your letter of May 29, requesting assistance differentiating the Phytophthora root rot resistance of several alfalfa varieties caught me at a very busy season. Sorry for the delay in answering. I hope it has not inconvenienced you.

According to my records and those of the National Alfalfa Certified Variety Review Board, G7730 is not a recognized alfalfa variety. We have not tested any such variety at Minnesota. Unfortunately, we have not tested 'Apollo', 'Trident', and 'Answer' in the same test for Phytophthora root rot resistance. But, it is possible to compare their respective resistances in relation to the resistant check variety 'Agate'. Data are presented for both average severity index (ASI) and % resistant plants.

			ASI pe	r test	
Entry	. 19	74	1976F	1977F	<u> 1977P</u>
Saranac (Susceptible Check Agate (Resistant Check) Apollo Answer 63 Trident 61		61 73 	4.31 2.83  2.34 2.42	4.74 3.07 2.58 2.63	4.52 2.94 2.92
LSD 5% Level CV %	9.	46 5	.45 7.6	.48 8.2	.36 6.1

			%	Resistant p	lants pe	r test
Entry			1974	1976F	1977F	1977P
Saranac Agate	(Susceptible Check) (Resistant Check)	)	4.1 47.1	2.0 34.8	0.7 34.7	1.6 42.1
Apollo		1 1	43.7			40.3
Answer				57.0	49.4	
Trident				61.7	52.4	
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Based on our observations in Minnesota tests Apollo has slightly less resistance than Agate, but these differences are not statistically or economically different. Both Answer and Trident are more resistant than Agate, therefore they would be more resistant than Apollo.

I hope the above data will be useful. Best wishes.

Sincerely,

DONALD K. BARNES

Research Geneticist

DKB:sjl

cc: F. I. Frosheiser

Table 1. Reaction of NAPB alfalfa varieties to spotted alfalfa aphid biotype  $\mathrm{H}^{\mathrm{I}}$ 

Variety		% seedl surviva	Variety		eedling rvival	Variety	% seedling	
G7730		0	Apollo		48.25	Apollo	46.25	
Answer		9.96	 MSTT res	s.ck.	88.75	MSTT res	. ck. 92.0	
Trident		17.69						
MSTT res	.ck.	75.55						
LSD.05		13.46	LSD.05		22.83	LSD.05	19.29	
test Aug	ust 1979		test Oct	tober 197	9	test Jan	uary 1979	

 $<sup>1\</sup>mathsf{Tests}$  conducted by Dr. M. Nielson University of Arizona.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE GRAIN DIVISION HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20782

EXHIBIT C

### OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY Alfalfa (Medicago sativa L. complex)

NAME OF APPLICANT(S)	VARIETY NAME OR TEMPORARY
North American Plant Breeders	DESIGNATION
ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and Zip Code) 5201 Johnson Drive	Answer
P. 0. Box 2955	PVPO NUMBER COOCACAC
Mission, Kansas 66205	FOR NOMBER 800003\$7 Das
Place the appropriate number that describes the varietal character of this variety in the box Place a zero in first box (e.g. $\boxed{0 \mid 8 \mid 9}$ or $\boxed{0 \mid 9}$ ) when number is either 99 or less or	·
NOTE: For single plant data a minimum of 100 plants is suggested	
, PRIMARY AREA OF ADAPTATION	INDICATE AREA WHERE TEST WAS
	CONDUCTED. FURTHER EXPLANATION CAN GO IN COMMENTS AT THE END OF THE FORM.
1 = NORTHWEST 2 = NORTHCENTRAL 3 = NORTHEAST	
4 = SOUTHEAST 5 = SOUTHWEST 6 = SOUTHERN PLAINS	AREA TESTED
7 = INTERMOUNTAIN	
WINTER HARDINESS	
1 = NON-HARDY (Mesa Sirsa) 3 = INTERMEDIATE NON-HARDY	
5 = MODERATELY HARDY (Saranac) 7 = HARDY (Vernal) 9 = EXTREMELY HARDY (Norseman)	AREA TESTED
2 SOURCE OF INFORMATION: 1 = ANTICIPATED 2 = MEASURED	
	1 2 3 6
FALL GROWTH HABIT	
1 = ERECT (Mesa Sirsa) 3 = SEMIERECT (DuPuits)	
6 5 = INTERMEDIATE (Saranac) 7 = SEMIDECUMENT (Vernal) 9 = DECUMBENT (Norsement)	2 AREA TESTED
RECOVERY AFTER FIRST SPRING CUTTING	
1 = VERY FAST (Mesa Sirsa) 3 = FAST (Saranac) 5 = INTERMEDIATE	
3 7 = SLOW (Vernal) 9 = VERY SLOW (Norseman)	2 AREA TESTED
CLOWEDING DATE /FIRST CROWS OF CASE	
FLOWERING DATE (FIRST SPRING GROWTH)	
DCR POR LETTER OF 15 SEPT RO  1 DAYS EARLIER THAN	<del> </del>
) 2 DAYS EARLIER THAN	2
DAYS LATER THAN	AREA TESTED
CROWN TYPE	
1 = SPREADING ROOTS 3 = SPREADING RHIZOMES (Teton)	
1 = SPREADING ROOTS 3 = SPREADING RHIZOMES (Teton) 5 = BROAD (Vernal) 7 = INTERMEDIATE (Saranac)	2 AREA TESTED
9 = NARROW (Mesa Sirsa)	AREA TESTED
PLANT COLOR	
3 = DARK GREEN (Weevichek) 5 = GREEN (Vernal)	
7 = LIGHT GREEN (Ranger)	2 AREA TESTED
HAIRINESS	
% PLANTS WITH PUBESCENT STEMS	% PLANTS WITH PUBESCENT
	PODS
PODSHAPE	
	A Company of the Comp
% PLANTS WITH TIGHT COILS % PLANTS WITH LOOSE COILS	% PLANTS WITH SICKLE
	PODS (Less than 1 coil)

10. GIVE ITEM LEN					TH FREQU							
VARIETY NAME	O – 5 mm, %	6 – 10 mm. %	11 — 15 mm. %	16 – 20 mm. %		31 – 40 mm. %	41 – 50 mm. %	1	61 — 70 mm, %	71 – 80 mm. %	81 + mm. %_	AVERAGE STEM LENGTH
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BACTERIAL WILT	(RES. C	K.) VERNA	AL	44	1.4	1.7	9			St. Pa		
	(SUS, CI	K.) NARR	AGANSET	7 2	2.2	3.6	7				· ·	
	(SUBMI	TTED)		14	1.2			_ % r				Carolina
ANTHRACNOSE	(RES. C	K.) ARC	····	7:	3.8			LSD.		State University Raleigh		
	(sus. cı	K.) SARAN	NAC		1.4		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
	(SUBMI	TTED)						-				
COMMON LEAF	(RES. C	K.) RAMS	ΕΥ									
SPOT	(SUS, C	K.) RANG	ER									
	(SUBMI	TTED)										
DOWNY MILDEW	(RES, C	K.) SARAI	NAC				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
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sarium	Mn	.GN−1		9	Д		70				1	ob pervett

<sup>1/</sup> Preferred standards: Saranac, Vernal, Norseman, Lahontan, Mesa Sirsa. Twelve hours light at 25° C with 20,000 lux of cool white florescent; 2,000 lux of incandescent filament light and twelve hours darkness at 5% C.

<sup>2/</sup> From cotyledonary node to tip of stem 20 days after planting.

<sup>3/</sup> For further clarification consult USDA Agricultural Handbook No. 424.
4/ Give: The institution in charge of test, (2) year, and (3) location of test. Describe test procedure if it differs from procedure suggested in ARS-NC-19,

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DISEASE	CULTIVAR	% RESISTANT PLANTS	AVG. SEVERITY INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD ,05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/
	(SUBMITTED)				
OTHER	(RES. CK.)				
	(SUS. CK.)				
	(SUBMITTED)	·			
OTHER	(RES. CK.)				
	(SUS. CK.)				
INSECT	CULTIVAR	% SEEDLING SURVIVAL	AVG' SEVERITY INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD .05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/
	(SUBMITTED)				
PEA APHID	(RES. CK.) KANZA				
	(SUS. CK.) RANGER				
Biotype H	(SUBMITTED)	9.96		13.46	1979 Tucson Arizona
SPOTTED ALFALFA	MSTT tres.ck:)-kanza-	75.5	•		
APHID	(SUS, CK.) RANGER				
INSECT	CULTIVAR	% DEFOLIATION	AVG. SEVERITY INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD .05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/
	(SUBMITTED)				
ALFALFA WEEVIL	(RES. CK!) ARK				
	(SUS. CK.) VERNAL				
INSECT	CULTIVAR	% RESISTANT PLANTS	EMERGED ADULTS PER PLANT	LSD .05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/
	(SUBMITTED)				
ALFALFA SEED CHALCID	(RES. CK.) LAHONTAN				
CHALCID	(SUS. CK.) SONORA				
INSECT	CULTIVAR	% RESISTANT PLANTS	AVG. SEVERITY INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD .05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4
	(SUBMITTED)	4.78	5.49		
POTATO LEAF-	Weevlchek (RES. CK.)	36.82	4.03	.37	1977 North American Plant Breeders
HOPPER	Saranac (sus. ck.)	7.95	5.48		Ames, Iowa
	(SUBMITTED)				
OTHER	(RES. CK.)				
	(SUS. CK.)				

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INSECT		CULTIVAR	% RESISTANT PLANTS	AVG. SEVERITY INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD ,05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/	
OTHER	(SUBMIT	TED)					
	(RES. CK	:. <b>)</b>					
	(SUS. CK	.)					
NEMATODE	CL	JLTIVAR	% RESISTANT PLANTS	INDEX (ASI)	ASI LSD .05	TEST, YEAR & LOCATION 4/	
	(SUBMIT	TED)					
STEM NEMATODE	(RES. CK	.) LAHONTAN					
NEWATODE	(SUS. CK.	.) RANGER					
	(SUBMIT	TED)					
NORTHERN ROOT KNOT	(RES, CK,	.) NEV. SYN. XX					
NEMATODE	(SUS, CK,	) LAHONTAN					
	(SUBMIT	TED)					
SOUTHERN ROOT KNOT	(RES. CK.	.) MOAPA 69					
NEMATODE	(SUS, CK.	) LAHONTAN					
	(SUBMIT)	red)					
ОТНЕВ	(RES. CK.	)	·				
	(SUS. CK.						
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AREA OF ADAPTATION Apollo RECOVERY AFTER CUTTING Apollo				PLANT HEIGHT	<del>  -</del>	Apollo Apollo	

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#### COMMENTS